



**U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service
Rio Grande National Forest
Divide Ranger Districts**

Motor Vehicle Road Closure

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. §551 and 36 C.F.R. §261.50(b), the following is prohibited on designated portions of National Forest System Road (NFSR), 513.1A (Continental Lake Road), on the Divide Ranger District, Rio Grande National Forest, described below and shown on the attached map, Exhibit A.:

1. To use or operate a motorized vehicle on the Restricted Roads. 36 C.F.R. §§ 261.54(a)

EXEMPTIONS

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

- 1) Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- 2) Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order or a written determination by a Forest Service authorized officer that a permit is not required under 36 C.F.R. § 251.50(e)(1) or (2).
- 3) Pedestrian Traffic, motorcycles and ATV/SXS traffic.

DESCRIBED ROAD

The described road is located in Hinsdale County and is referred to as Continental Lake Road or NFSR 513.1A. The closure area begins at the barricade, approximately one and one-half miles before the Continental Bridge and extends across the bridge.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the is Order is to protect public health and safety.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order shall be in effect from February 17, 2023, through December 31, 2023, unless rescinded.
2. A map identifying the Described Road is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A. For a digital version of this Order and Exhibit A, go to [Rio Grande National Forest - Alerts & Notices \(usda.gov\)](https://www.usda.gov/land-management/land-use/forest-management/forest-supervision/alerts-notices).
3. Unless otherwise expressly defined in this Order, the terms used in this Order are defined by the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture, 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299. If there are terms in this Order that are not expressly defined in the Order or 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299, their meaning shall be determined by their plain language definitions.
4. A violation of the above prohibitions is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.
5. Contact the Divide Ranger District in Del Norte, Colorado at (719) 657-3321, for more information about this Order.
6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts on the same Described Roads.

Signed and issued on February 17, 2023.



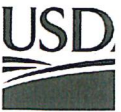
Forest Supervisor,
Rio Grande National Forest



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Continental Bridge, NFSR 513.1A, Closure

Closure Number: RG-2022-04



Date: 06/14/2022

Exhibit A

